

*In the Abstract*

Please replace the abstract with:

An off-press plate-making apparatus is provided which comprises ~~means~~ an apparatus for removing the lithographic image from the substrate of a used printing master and ~~means~~ an apparatus for recoating the recycled substrate with a new image-recording layer. The off-press cleaning and recoating of the substrate provides a short press down-time. The recoated substrate forms an imaging material which can be exposed either on-press in a digital press comprising an integrated exposure apparatus or off-press in an exposure apparatus, which can be integrated in the plate-making apparatus or mechanically coupled thereto.